

collected and accounted for, by the sheriff of said county, in the same manner and under the same penalties as other county taxes are by the existing laws of this State.

IV. *And be it further enacted*, That in all elections authorised by this act, it shall be necessary that a majority of the acting Justices of the said county shall be present ; and that this act shall be in force from and after the passing thereof.

CHAP. CXXIV.

An act further to regulate the Newbern Academy.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina; and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That five Trustees of the Newbern Academy shall be a quorum sufficient for the transaction of business and the regulation of the concerns of the Institution : any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXXV.

An act for the relief of John Blackwell and his wife, of the county of Hyde.

WHEREAS, it appears that before the passing of the act of the General Assembly of one thousand eight hundred and twenty, entitled "an act concerning the marriage of infant females," a contract of marriage existed between John Blackwell and Ann Selby, which was celebrated so soon after the passage of said act, that the existence of the same was not known to the said Blackwell, whereby the penalties of said act have been incurred without the wilful design of said Blackwell ;

*Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That said John Blackwell be, and is hereby exempted from the operation of said act ; and the property to which the said Ann Selby was entitled, at her marriage with said Blackwell, is hereby vested in the said Blackwell, as fully as the same would have been vested by said marriage, had the before recited act never been passed.

CHAP. CXXVI.

An act to authorize and empower Daniel Jarvis of Surry County to erect at Scritchfield's ford on the Yadkin river, a gate across the public road, leading from Huntsville in said county, to the mountains at Fisher's Gap.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That Daniel Jarvis, of Surry county, be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to erect at Scritchfield's, on the Yadkin river, a gate across the public road leading from Huntsville, in said county, to the mountains at Fisher's Gap, to be under the same rules, regulations, restrictions, and immunities as other gates are in like cases, so made and provided : any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

CHAP. CXXVII.

An act to alter the name of Edward Caudle, and to legitimate him.

WHEREAS it is the desire of William Goode, of Stokes county, that the name of his illegitimate son, Edward Caudle, shall be altered to that of Edward Goode, and that the said Edward be legitimated and made capable to inherit in the same manner as if he had been born in wedlock.